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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINT, GR

SUBJECT: AMBASSADOR SCHAUFLE'S APPEARANCE BEFORE SFRC.

1. REMARKS MADE BY AMBASSADOR SCHAUFLE AT CONFIRMATION  
HEARING BEING TRANSCRIBED BY SENATE CONTRACTOR AND WILL NOT  
BE AVAILABLE UNTIL JULY 15 AT EARLIEST.

2. AMBASSADOR SCHAUFLE DID NOT USE THE TERM "ARRANGEMENT"  
WHEN DISCUSSING THE AEGEAN. RATHER, HE STATED TH;T THE  
AEGEAN DISPUTE AROSE, IN PART, FROM AN UNUSUAL GEOGRAPHIC  
SITUATION. WHAT SCHAUFLE SOUGHT TO CONVEY WAS FACT THAT  
GEOGRAPHY OF THE AEGEAN AREA IS UNIQUE; THEREFORE THE  
PROBLEMS BETWEEN GREECE AND TURKEY THAT HAVE ARISEN IN THE  
AEGEAN ARE MORE COMPLEX AND DIFFICULT OF SOLUTION TH;N ARE  
SIMILAR ISSUES THAT HAVE ARISEN ELSEWHERE IN THE WORLD.  
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3. AT ONE POINT IN HIS TESTIMONY, AMBASSADOR SCHAUFLE  
DECLINED TO GET INTO AN ASSESSMENT OF WHETHER CYPRUS OR  
THE AEGEAN WAS THE MOST CRITICAL ISSUE. HOWEVER, LATER, IN  
RESPONDING TO SENATOR BIDEN'S ASSERTION THAT THE AEGEAN  
WAS A DIFFICULT AND CRITICAL PROBLEM AND PERHAPS OF MORE  
CONSEQUENCE THAN CYPRUS, SCHAUFLE TRIED TO DRAW A DISTINCT-

ION BETWEEN THE ,WO PROBLEMS WHILE ACKNOWLEDGING THAT THE  
AEGEAN WAS INDEED OF GREAT CONCERN.

4. EFSTATHIADIS' STORY IS BASED ON FIRST-HAND ACCOUNT BY  
IOANNIS ROUBATIS, THE TO VIMA AND TA NEA CORRESPONDENT IN  
WASHINGTON. ROUBATIS STOPPED AMBASSADOR SCHAUFLELE FOLLOW-  
ING HEARING TO SEEK CLARIFICATION ON SEVERAL OF AMBASSADOR'S  
REMARKS. IT WAS EVIDENT THAT HE HAD EITHER MISCONSTRUED  
OR MISUNDERSTOOD SOME OF THE REMARKS, BUT AMBASSADOR  
SCHAUFLELE'S ATTEMPTS TO SET THE RECORD STRAIGHT WERE  
APPARENTLY TO NO AVAIL.

5. YOU SHOULD TAKE THE FIRST OPPORTUNITY TO CORRECT THE  
RECORD WITH THE GREEKS AT A LEVEL AND IN A MANNER YOU  
JUDGE MOST APPROPRIATE. WE WILL CABLE THE ENTIRE TRANS-  
SCRIPT THE MOMENT IT IS AVAILABLE. VANCE

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